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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR HANDLING OVERLOAD OF REQUESTS IN A
CLIENT SERVER ENVIRONMENT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

20. A method for handling overload of requests in a client-server environment, said server having a request queue and a request manager, wherein:

 said request manager determines if there are requests in said queue and, if that determination is not true, waits until a request is present;

 if said request manager determines that the number of requests in said queue exceeds said request threshold value, said request manager repeatedly removes the request in the first slot of said queue and advances the remaining requests in said queue by one position until the number of requests is less than or equal to said request threshold value; and

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said request manager processes the request stored in the first slot of said queue.

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REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as follows:

20 [15]. A method for handling overload of requests in a client-server environment, said server having a request queue and a request manager, wherein:

 said request manager determines if there are requests in said queue and, if that determination is not true, waits until a request is present;

 if said request manager determines that the number of requests in said queue exceeds said request threshold value, said request manager repeatedly removes the request in the first slot of said queue and advances the remaining requests in said queue by one position until the number of requests is less than or equal to said request threshold value; and

 said request manager processes the request stored in the first slot of said queue.